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Thousands Hear Governor Cox!

HILL IS WINNER OF THE DEBATE

Eminent Minister Was no Match for Advocate of Pastor Russell's Teachings

(By Special Correspondent)

It may not have been unanimous, but a good majority of the people of both races who heard the debate at the convention hall Tuesday night, between Richard J. Hill and the Rev. H. T. S. Johnson left the hall irrevocable in their opinion that while Rev. Johnson is unquestionably a deep thinker and a good speaker he was nevertheless no match for his opponent.

Two hours and thirty minutes were consumed by the speakers, each having one hour and fifteen minutes in which to present their respective arguments. About 500 people full one-half of whom were white heard the debate and all of them seem very much interested.

Mr. Hill opened the debate on the affirmative side of the question, which was "Resolved that the teachings of the International Bible Students should be substituted for the doctrines of the Church denominations."

In opening the negative side of the question, Rev. Johnson read excerpts from the International Bible Students' Monthly and quoted Mark 16: 16, which reads: "He that believeth and is baptized, the same shall be saved and he that believeth not shall be damned," using this as Bible proof that there must be eternal punishment after death.

In his rebuttal, Mr. Hill said, "I am not surprised the poor people of the world are wrapped in such ignorance and darkness concerning the Bible, when our most learned and educated, College bred Ministers show such absolute ignorance of the Bible and God's great plan of salvation. I am very much surprised that my worthy opponent does not know that the Scriptures he has just read to you (Mark 16:16) is generally recognized by all Bible Students and Professors of his own theological institutions and any one else who knows anything about the scriptures as no part of the original Bible but interpolations." Then for 20 minutes, Mr. Hill dwelt on the teachings of the International Bible Students giving Bible references to show the correctness of the same.

The full text of the debate will appear in the Star as soon as the transcribed copy can be obtained from an official court reporter who took in shorthand every word of the debate.

In closing the debate Mr. Hill warmed up to his subject and in a very eloquent and convincing way drove home the final points which, in the opinion of the writer, proved him easily master of the situation.

Republicans Hold Convention Monday

State-Wide Delegation Expected To Attend Tulsa Meet of G. O. P. Henchmen

That Tulsa is considered the center of political activity among the Colored people of this State is proven by the fact that the State organization of republicans and democrats have called conventions to meet in this city within two days of each other. The democratic organization is in session today and the republican organization will convene here Monday.

The Colored voters of Tulsa are about evenly divided in their political faiths and it is expected that

both conventions will be well attended by Tulsans as well as visiting delegates. Both conventions are expected to make some definite demands of their respective parties for promises of specific legislation to guarantee fair play and equality before the law of all citizens of this State regardless of race or color.

OFFICER TO FACE MURDER CHARGE

Following the filing of a murder charge this forenoon against S. R. Grosse, patrolman, who late Saturday night shot and killed Clem Williams, Creek Indian at the Farmers' wagon yard on Hodge st., between Lansing ave. and Admiral boulevard it was announced late today that the case would be taken before the grand jury now in session here. The complaint was sworn to by William's wife.

Grosse's plea will be self defense. The officer's statement is to the effect that when he walked up to the side of an automobile occupied by an unidentified white man Williams handing him a quart bottle of corn whiskey. Seizing the whiskey Grosse placed Williams under arrest.

Williams grew boisterous in his denunciation of the officer, and grabbing the bottle hurled it against a fence breaking it, and then running to get a revolver. At that time, Grosse says he shot Williams once in the abdomen.

No weapon of any kind was found on Williams after his death. According to police officers Williams has been known as a bootlegger for several years.

Justice at Last Opens Her Eyes in Virginia

Black Who Shot Bystander To Protect His Home Acquitted

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. Sept. 30—A charge of murder in connection with the killing of Simon Wise Lewis a white seaman from Texas. The killing took place at Carr's home ten days ago and it was contended that when Carr fired the fatal shot he was attempting to defend his home from a mob engaged in rioting. Evidence brought out that Lewis had nothing to do with the riot and was merely walking along the avenue when he was killed.

Colored Democrats Meet Here

Delegates From all Parts of the State are Expected to Attend Meeting

The Colored State Democratic Club, recently organized in Boley, headed by Frank W. Reed of Oklahoma City as president and Fred L. Douglas of Tulsa, as secretary will convene in the Masonic Hall at ten o'clock this morning according to Secretary Douglas.

Delegates from all parts of the State are expected to attend the J.U.C.L. Aat o. 17. aea. einQE meetings. Preparations have been made by the local committee for the entertainment of the visitors at a banquet to be given at the Masonic Hall tonight.

Among the speakers at the morning session are: Hon. W. B. Williams, county judge, Congressman E. B. Howard, Judge M. A. Breckenridge and Rev. R. A. Whitaker.

Why The Missouri Colored People Vote Democrat Ticket

CITIZEN OF "SHOW ME" STATE WRITES INTERESTING LETTER TO ST. LOUIS EDITOR SHOWING COMPARATIVE ATTITUDE OF TWO PARTIES TOWARD THE RACE.

The following letter which appeared in last week's issue of the St. Louis Argus is indicative of the standing of the two great political parties among Colored people in the State of Missouri where the Democrats have always drawn heavily on the Colored vote, and will no doubt do much for the democratic party in that state in the approaching election:

To the Editor of the St. Louis Argus: As to our Negro population, I challenge the leaders of the Republican Party to show us their denunciation of any State of our Republic since the freedom of the Colored man more than 50 years ago, have been more liberal and generous to the race than has the Democratic party of Missouri, which has been in control of the State of Missouri since 1870. The Twenty sixth General Assembly, of which I was a member, convened in Jefferson City on the 4th day of January 1871—the first Democratic Legislature after the Civil War and the freedom of the Colored race. That Assembly passed and put upon the statute books of the State (in which I aided to the best of my ability) a law dividing the public school moneys of the State per capita with the Colored children, a division eminently just. They also appropriated \$15,000 to the Colored College which was a private school called the Lincoln Institute located at Jefferson City. In 1872 we increased our appropriation to that institution to \$25,000. The following year the Democratic Legislature, of which I was also a member, took over this institution and made a State School of it, and appropriated \$65,000, and it has been maintained ever since by State aid.

There has never been a single law passed in the 50 years' domination of the Democratic party in Missouri, in any way inimical to the Colored race—they have been given every right, under the law, given to a white man, and the power of the State has ever been ready to protect them in the full enjoyment of that right.

And what of today. And what's the position of the Democratic and Republican parties in Missouri? In the State Convention which assembled in Jefferson City on the 14th of this month to adopt a platform for each party, the intelligent Colored men of the State of both parties met in conference and agreed upon certain things that should be enacted into law for the uplift and betterment of the Colored race, and the men of that conference who were Republicans and who were Democrats went before the Committee of their political faith and presented requests of their people. And what was that request presented to both parties? And in order to be perfectly fair and just, I submit the platform demands made in both parties.

Platform Demands Made of Both Parties by Negro Voters
"We favor the establishment of a sanitarium for the treatment of tubercular Negro patients."
"We favor an institution for Negro feeble-minded of the State and a school for the blind."
"We favor the establishment of a Negro agricultural experiment station."
"We favor the making of a state university for Negroes of Lincoln

institute.

"We favor the appointment of Negro supervisors of Colored schools."

"We favor the creation of an industrial training school for Negro boys."

Here's What the Demand Brought

MISSOURI STATE PARTY PLATFORMS

Republican:

"Better pay and retirement provision for teachers; better support for the schools and increased educational facilities in both white and Colored schools."

"Careful provision and adequate appropriation for the health of the state, including ample provision for tubercular Negro patients."

Democrats:

"We favor the erection and establishment of a separate home for the deaf, dumb, blind, feeble-minded and tubercular Negroes in the State."

"We favor the converting of schools for Negroes into a State University for Negroes."

"We favor Negro representation in boards of Negro institutions in the State."

"We favor the establishment of an industrial school for incorrigible Negro boys."

"We favor the establishment of an agricultural experiment station for Negroes."

The comparison must be humiliating to the intelligent Colored race. The Republicans handed them a cob with hardly a grain attached to it, and the Democrats not only gave them what they asked for, but added a section which was eminently just as follows:

"We favor Negro representation on boards of Negro institutions of the State."

And who wrote the platforms of both parties? The Republican platform was written by Senator Selden P. Spencer, a candidate on the Republican ticket for United States Senator and Arthur M. Hyde, a candidate on the Republican ticket for the great office of Governor of Missouri. The Democratic platform was written by Breckinridge Long, a candidate on the Democratic ticket for the United States Senate and John M. Atkinson, a candidate on the Democratic ticket for the great office of Governor of Missouri. Which platform and which candidates Democratic or Republican, show a more friendly consideration for the betterment of the Colored race? It seems to me in comparison the Republican candidates so far as the Negro race is concerned, should go away back and sit down—as one seems to be earnestly in favor of the uplift and betterment of the Negro race and the other indifferent as to what may come to the Negro race as they say the Negro race will vote the Republican ticket what that party may do or say. It seems to me, viewing the Republican party as I do that if Abraham Lincoln was living in Missouri today and Fred Douglas that eminent Colored statesman of past age, were also in Missouri, were upon the Democratic ticket for office in this State, that some Colored people would scratch them if they were on the Democratic ticket.

NICHOLAS M. BELL.

Wewoka Defeats Rival in County Seat Fight

Seminole Loses in Effort to Remove Seat of County Government

Wewoka, Okla., Oct. 1—The fight between Wewoka and Seminole for

the prize of the County Seat of Seminole County which terminated at the polls yesterday resulted in a decisive victory for Wewoka more than the required two-thirds of the voters of the County casting their ballots for Wewoka. This is considered a just repudiation of the race prejudice propaganda put out by Seminole in its effort to wrench the County Seat from Wewoka, this city having been referred to very often in the Campaign as a "Negro Town."

The Colored people of this County under the leadership of J. Coody Johnson rallied to the support of Wewoka and helped to pile up a good substantial majority against Seminole.

The Colored women of the County under the leadership of J. election.

Southern Race Journals Barred From G. O. P. Slush Fund

Manager of Republican Funds Eliminates Southern Race Papers

(A. N. P. Service)

Washington, D. C., Sept. 10—Some of the newspapers are not "doing so well" in the effort to connect with the advertising check book of the Republican National Committee. "In the beginning," Col. Phil. H. Brown hero of several political battles, was supposed to be the very first and only dispenser of publicity favors.

However, the Eastern contingent "kicked up a fuss," and it became necessary to have a special "Eastern Division" which in turn received their portion of the budget. Fred R. Moore, of the New York Age, it is stated, resigned from the committee, when George W. Harris and he could not agree on terms for their individual newspapers.

Now it seems that a policy of eliminating all southern newspapers from the advertising patronage has been adopted, and only certain newspapers in the North and East have been put in on the quadrennial business. This condition is causing a big protest from certain papers such as the Houston Informer, in Texas, and the Buffalo Journal in New York State. It is currently reported that less than \$25,000 has been appropriated to handle the publicity among all the Negro newspapers throughout the country. Foreign language newspapers have been getting consideration from the committee for several months and the appropriation for them is several months and some \$100,000 emeral times in excess of Race publication.

"The National Committee seems to underestimate the value of our newspapers. Even the Southern newspapers should get consideration not only for their loyalty, but because thousands of their readers now live in northern states," said a prominent leader here.

Grand Master Webber Calls Cabinet Meeting

All Grand Lodge Officers Called To Meet At McAlester Today

Grand Master W. S. Webber, recently elected head of the Masons of Oklahoma, has issued a call for all the members of the Grand Masters' Council to meet in McAlester today for the purpose of going over

Popular Ohioan is Lionized by Tulsans and other Oklahomans

The visit in Tulsa of Governor Cox last night easily takes first place as the most important public event ever marked in the history of this city.

The Governor and democratic presidential candidate arrived in the city at 7:30 over the Frisco from Oklahoma City accompanied by 50 or more Tulsans who went to Enid to meet the Governor, Gov. J. B. A. Robertson and nearly 300 other prominent democrats of the State. After a street parade the party proceeded to the Convention Hall where the democratic candidate was introduced after appropriate preliminary ceremonies and at once plunged into an earnest and eloquent discussion of the issues of the campaign.

Thousands of visitors from neighboring cities swelled the crowd that greeted Gov. Cox and augmented the deafening applause that frequently interrupted the speaker during his speech.

Everything possible was done by local organizations to properly entertain the distinguished visitor and there is no denying the fact that while here he was the lionized hero of the hour.

The Cox-Roosevelt Club—Colored—organized in this City shortly after the Frisco Convention had a place in the parade and was the object of much favorable comment.

the present condition of the Order and working out some definite plan of action respecting for the organization in this State.

Grand Master Webber is very enthusiastic in the work of his new position and is planning some great things for the general benefit of the Order. Before the setting of the next Grand Lodge, he expects to set up several new lodges and add materially to the membership of the Order.

In calling the Grand Masters' Council to discuss with them his plans and to go into important business of the Order he is showing the discretion of a thoughtful executive and laying the foundation successful administration.

Muskogee Men Sentenced in Fraud Case

Trio in Famous "Bank's Swindle" Must Pay Penalty

MUSKOGEE, OKLA., Oct. 1—The three leaders. Burns (a white lawyer) Banks and Edwards, the two Colored men, who, it is alleged, assisted the white man in the operation of a gigantic swindle which netted them some \$1,000,000 or more all faced federal pudge Williams here yesterday. Burns and Banks received sentences of 18 months respectively in the federal penitentiary while Edwards got off with a fine of \$250.00.

LEFLORE COUNTY FAIR CLOSES

Colored Woman Attracts Attention In Exhibition of Old Fashioned Method of Spinning Thread and Weaving Cloth

The LeFlore County Fair closed a very creditable County Fair last Saturday in which many fine hogs, cows, fancy work and farm products vied with one another.

The principal feature of the fair was the demonstration by Mrs. Elvora Cooper a Race woman, wife of Mr. W. D. Cooper a prominent Pvblian of the old fashioned method of spinning thread and weaving (Continued on page Eight)